#### **Utah State Center of Excellence**

## **New Center - YEAR 1 Proposal:**

Center for Information Communication and Security

(CIX)

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# Information Technology (IT) is a Mess

"... despite the trillion dollar per annum IT investment in the global economy, productivity in the richest 7 nations has precipitously declined on a historical basis"

Scientific American

"16% of IT projects have been considered successes" and

"no correlation between IT spending and company performance"
Nicholas Carr, "Does IT Matter?", Harvard Business School Press, 2004

"Most companies spend too much on IT and get very little in return"

Larry Ellison, Oracle CEO



## **Why Corporate Intranets?**

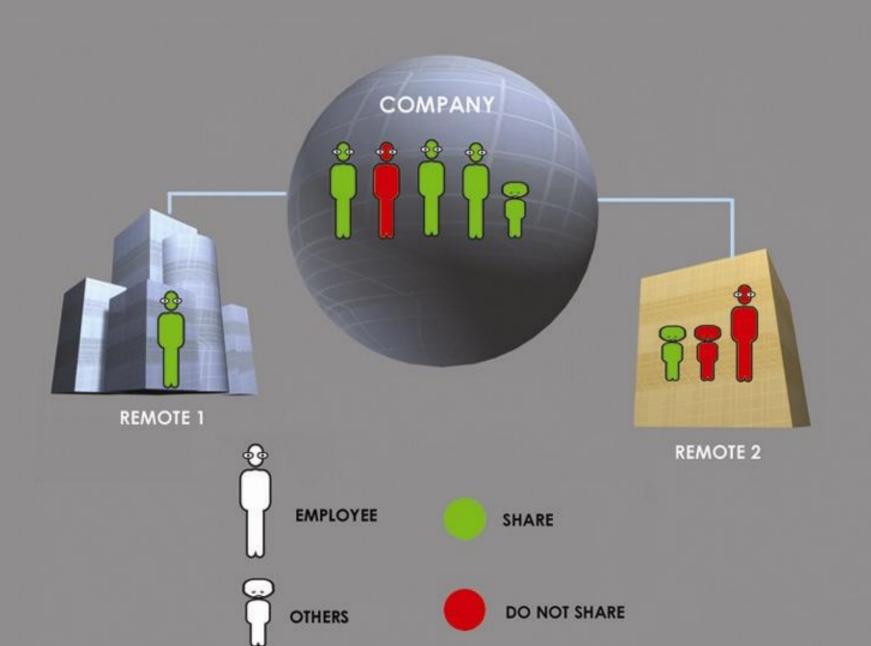
#### Communication:

- more and richer content
- more people
- faster
- increase knowledge, assets, business

### **Security**

- protection from competitors
- protection from vandalism
- protection from undesired/unknown risks
- decrease cost, losses and liabilities





## Real Scenarios from COE Review Preparation

### COE email #1:

If you didn't get a chance to attend yesterday's workshop, the content is available on this web page <a href="http://www.venturecapital.org/centers/Centers\_seminar.swf">http://www.venturecapital.org/centers/Centers\_seminar.swf</a>. You'll be prompted for a <a href="User ID">User ID</a>: Centers and <a href="Password">Password</a>: Excellence.

#### COE email # 2:

In order to streamline the process and to prevent unforseen glitches (Murphy's Law), we recommend that you email your presentations and I will load them on to the laptops.....however there is one small catch.....to do this, I will need to receive them no later than Monday, <u>May 9th at 10:00am</u>, otherwise please come prepared with your presentations on either a CD, or jump drive, or both.



## **User Problems**

Account or group creation needs IT staff
 --- reduced productivity

Passwords: share or record on sticky notes --- security leaks

Confidential files travel unencrypted by email --- information leaks

Email bounces at sender's or recipient's server --- lost information or time

Incoming large emails fill up email account --- undeliverable message

Use personal email (temp fix)
 --- time waster, and breach

Unprotected web posting of confidential files --- confidentiality risk

Attachments blocked by server antivirus/spam --- lost information or time

## **General State of IT Communications**

- Frustration
- Lost productivity
- Security risk
- Information loss

**RESULT:** BIG investment, but not effective = LOW ROI

"If you multiply the people in the world using intranets by minutes they waste on them each day, it's approximately a \$1 trillion problem."

Jakob Nielsen, Nielsen Norman Group



# **Email Attachments: IT Infrastructure Impact**

### **Email server problems:**

- not designed for file sharing
- slower backup than on file servers
- · becomes a database issue

- --- performance degradation
  - --- much longer back up time
  - --- more capital investment

### IT Staff patches:

- extra mail server capacity
- extra backup systems
- set email attachment limits
- workarounds to allow users to post files over limits

"U.S. federal regulations created impetus behind email archiving, and removing the email object and attachments but maintaining a link to it."

Ferris Research



# **CIX Solution Breakthroughs**

- · No account set up
- Authentication with secure links
- User specifies who has access
- File upload integrated with emailing the link
- Only recipients can download files when-wherever
- Users can view all files available to them.
- Encrypted file upload and download with expiring link



### The CIX Solution Results

#### Communication:

- immediate
- intuitive
- effective

### **Security:**

- fewer weak links
- fewer information leaks
- reduced information loss

#### **Cost Benefits:**

- reduced IT staff involvement
- reduced operational cost



## **CIX's Potential Customer Feedback**

"With CIX's solution we could offer added value, including integrated mail and file services."

Xmission - Utah ISP

"We have to set up and deal with so many accounts:

CIX's solution would save us a lot of time".

Parsons, Behle and Latimer - Utah Law Firm

"The CIX solution will solve problems for which the IT staff of any organization with email servers has no good remedies.

University of Utah -VPs Office, IT Manager



## **Intellectual Property**

University of Utah Invention Disclosure: IDE 3850

"Generalized Authentication and Patronization System"

### **Provisional Patent being filed:**

- Generalized Transport Authentication
- Generalized Resource Patronization
- Transport Identity File Permission
- Open File Communication System Architecture
- Open File Communication System User Interfaces

### **Copyrights and Trade Secrets:**

- software
- user interfaces



### **Potential Products and Customers**

Email File Sharing System: Corporations

Email File Sharing Technology: Portals and ISPs

### **Potential Business Models**

- Software package licensed to Corporations (per seat per year)
- Web-based service sold to Corporations (per seat per month)
- Technology licensing to Portals or ISPs for integration in their solution

YEAR 1 of COE: verify customers and models above



# **Market Segments: Potential Benefits**

#### All:

- reduced IT cost
- increased productivity
- decrease frustration

### **Corporations:**

- facilitate collaboration, including external parties
- decrease security weak links, and information leaks or loss

#### ISPs:

- providing integrated email and file services to customers
- · increase market share

#### Portals/ASPs:

gain market share and paid customers with compelling features



## **Market Opportunity**

US Workforce: 112M (2002 Census)

Over 90% of US workforce has access to email (Gartner, Forrester)

US corporate email users: 100M

Cost of CIX product per seat per year: \$20-50

**US Corporate Market opportunity:** \$2 – 5 Billion

Portal and ISP Market Opportunity will be evaluated in Year 1



# **Competitors**

FEATURES	CIX	Xdrive	IBackup	intranets.com
Price (per year)	\$20 - \$50	\$120	\$120	\$720
Storage space	5 GB	5 GB	5 GB	0.1 GB
No account set up	Х			
Authentication by token	х			
Expiring authentication link	X			
File access control list	x	X		X
Control access by email	x			
Email link of uploaded file	x	X	x	
Download w/o account	х		x	
Shared file list w/o account	X			
File upload patronization	X			
Notify file recipient	X	X	x	
Encrypted file up/download	X	X	x	X
Expiring file link	X	X	x	
Upload multiple versions	X			
Encrypted text box	Х			
Track who downloaded file	Х			



# **Pre-COE Milestones Accomplished**

- Prototype completed
- Trial underway
- Preliminary focus groups
- Preliminary business strategy to be verified
- Vision and R&D strategy



# **Year 1 COE Objectives**

- Prototype usability testing
- Develop scalable system architecture
- Detailed market research
- Product and market development strategy
- Seek potential partners and investors
- Form company
- Product version 1 launch



# **Technology and Commercialization PERC Chart**

July 2005							
	Year -2	Year –1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
TECHNOLOGY							
concept							
research							
prototype development							
prototype testing							
product development							
BUSINESS							
IP protection							
market research							
seek partners - licensees							
company formation							
product marketing							
licensing							



# **Budget**

CIX	July 1,2005 - June 30, 2006	
		Year 1
		proposed
Personnel	110,000	
Pl	Stefano Foresti	40,000
Research Associa		40,000
Students	CS - Programming	10,000
Students	Architecture - User Interface	10,000
Students	MBA - market analysis	10,000
Equipment	0	
		0
Consultants/Sub	30,000	
Consultants:	Dale Richards	20,000
Consultants:	market research	5,000
Consultants:	product development	5,000
General Expense	20,000	
Travel		15,000
Supplies, printing,	3,000	
Other miscellaneo	2,000	
Grand Total	160,000	



### **Team**

Stefano Foresti CHPC PI, R&D lead, strategy and business planning

Dale Richards COE Consultant project management and commercialization

Luke Stebbing CHPC R&D

Julio Facelli CHPC HPC systems team management

Julio Bermudez Architecture User Interface design

**Rob Erbacher** CS, USU computer security research

Ron Price CHPC software development

MBA Student Business market research

**Student** CS software programming

Student Architecture User Interface design

# **Expertise and Accomplishments**

- International media portals
- ISP and Telco services
- Company startups

- Science, R&D, commercialization
- Interdisciplinary design
- Scalable systems + User Interfaces



## **Questions?**



# **R&D Roadmap**

### Multiple directions identified in:

- Technology and Scientific Research
- Product R&D and Strategy

### **Prioritization by:**

- Market research
- Feedback from business partners

